

REMARKS

In the above referenced Office Action, the Examiner required an election of species from the following:

Species 1, Figure 2;

Species 2, Figures 3A;

Species 3, Figure 3B;

Species 4, Figure 4;

Species 5, Figure 5A;

Species 6, Figure 5B; and

Species 7, Figure 6

In response, Applicants elect Species 7, directed to claims 1-3, 11-12, 14-21, 24, and 35-38 without traverse. Claims 4-10, 13, 22-23, and 25-34 have been withdrawn without prejudice to consideration of these claims upon allowance of a generic claim. The foregoing election is made with the understanding that the Examiner and the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office are now bound to the finding of non-obviousness between each of the species.

Upon allowance of the generic claims, applicant requests consideration of claims to additional species which are written in dependent form or which otherwise include all the limitations of the allowed generic claims.

Applicants believe no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 50-0665, under Order No. 170298068US from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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